

JFW

PTO/SB/21 (07-06)

Approved for use through 09/30/2006. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

**TRANSMITTAL  
FORM**

(to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)

Total Number of Pages in This Submission

Application Number	10/582,175
Filing Date	June 9, 2006
First Named Inventor	Jean-Claude Bernadac
Art Unit	
Examiner Name	
Attorney Docket Number	1

**ENCLOSURES (Check all that apply)**

- |   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form<br><input type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached<br><input type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply<br><input type="checkbox"/> After Final<br><input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declaration(s)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request<br><input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Reply to Missing Parts/ Incomplete Application<br><input type="checkbox"/> Reply to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53 | <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers<br><input type="checkbox"/> Petition<br><input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application<br><input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation<br><input type="checkbox"/> Change of Correspondence Address<br><input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer<br><input type="checkbox"/> Request for Refund<br><input type="checkbox"/> CD, Number of CD(s) _____<br><input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Table on CD | <input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance Communication to TC<br><input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences<br><input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to TC (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information<br><input type="checkbox"/> Status Letter<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below):<br>- Copy of Patent US 3,635,181<br>- Copy of Patent US 3,672,178<br>- Copy of Patent US 4,342,277<br>- Copy of Patent GB 2 236 716 A<br>- Return Receipt Postcard |
|---|--|--|

Remarks

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT**

Firm Name	Emrich & Dithmar LLC		
Signature	<i>Thomas E. Hill</i>		
Printed name	Thomas E. Hill		
Date	SEPTEMBER 6, 2006	Reg. No.	28,955

**CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION/MAILING**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO or deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date shown below:

Signature	<i>Cynthia Ortiz</i>		
Typed or printed name	Cynthia Ortiz	Date	Sept. 6, 2006

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.5. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.



THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
)  
Jean-Claude Bernadac )  
)  
Filed: June 9, 2006 )  
)  
Serial No.: 10/582,175 )  
)  
For: MOORING ARRANGEMENT )  
PROVIDED WITH FLOATING )  
MOBILE SYSTEMS FOR )  
MOVING BOOMS )  
)  
Attorney's Docket No.: 1 )

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail before the last scheduled pickup, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on September 6, 2006.

*Cynthia Ortiz*  
CYNTHIA ORTIZ

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

SIR:

The following material is cited in compliance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R.

1.56 and 1.97 through 1.99. No representation is made or intended that a search has been made or that no better art than that listed is available. As to any material supplied herewith, Applicant does not admit that it is "prior art" under 35 USC §103, and reserves the right to antedate any such material, as by a showing under 37 CFR §1.131 or other method. It is respectfully requested that these patents be made of record in this application.

In re appln. of Jean-Claude Bernadac  
Serial No. 10/582,175  
IDS  
Page 2

**U.S. and Foreign PATENTS**

U.S. Patent No. 3,635,181

U.S. Patent No. 3,672,178

U.S. Patent No. 4,342,277

GB 2 236 716 A

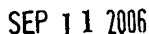
Respectfully submitted,

Dated: SEPTEMBER 6, 2006

*Thomas E. Hill*

---

Thomas E. Hill, Reg. No. 28,955  
Attorney for Applicant  
**EMRICH & DITHMAR LLC**  
125 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 2080  
Chicago, Illinois 60606  
Tel: 312-663-9800  
Fax: 312-663-9822



Approved for use through 09/30/2006. OMB 0651-0031  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449/PTO

*(Use as many sheets as necessary)*

**Complete if Known**

Application Number	10/582,175
Filing Date	June 9, 2006
First Named Inventor	Jean-Claude Bernadac
Art Unit	
Examiner Name	
Attorney Docket Number	1

Sheet	1	of	1
-------	---	----	---

[illegible]

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages Or Relevant Figures Appear	T <sup>6</sup>
		Country Code <sup>3</sup> *Number <sup>4</sup> *Kind Code <sup>5</sup> (if known)				
		GB 2 236 716 A	04/17/1991	Paul Richard Rogers		

Examiner  
Signature

Date  
Considered

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. <sup>1</sup> Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). <sup>2</sup> See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at [www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov) or MPEP 901.04. <sup>3</sup> Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). <sup>4</sup> For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. <sup>5</sup> Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. <sup>6</sup> Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. **DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.**

*If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.*